

RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009
6:00 P.M.

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 W 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., with Allen Shelton, Darrin McGowan, Mike Buckley, Bill Goins, and Cindy Humphrey answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, and Melissa Conrad, *Rushville Republican*.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the March 3, 2009 meeting were presented for approval. Goins made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

Mayor Bostic reported that the pavers will be back in town in a couple of weeks to take care of South Harrison and Second Street from Main to Julian.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * * *

Copley passed out a letter from the Rush County Auditor regarding Edit funds. She said Council might want to be thinking about revising the Capital Improvement Plan.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT * * * *

Goins reported the following to the Council:

- Goins informed Council that he attended the Redevelopment Commission meeting. The following officers were appointed:
John Pavey - Chairman
Ron Lienemann - Vice Chairman
Kevin Snyder - Secretary
- He has some volunteers coming in to help do a wall to wall clean up at the animal shelter on Monday.
- Goins gave the floor to Chief Cameron, who re-introduced the 4 most recently hired officers and each told a little about themselves. Goins thanked each of them and told them to keep up the good work.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Police – Cameron reported:

- They are down to 4 candidates for the position of police officer. They will be conducting one more interview and should be ready to hire at the next Board of Works meeting.

- Introduced Officer Randy Meek. Meek discussed the serious drug problem in Rushville and Rush County.
- Introduced Officer Craig Tucker. Meek explained the COPS Grant that is a part of the stimulus plan. The Police Department would like to make application to the COPS grant for 2 officers. The grant is funded 100% by the federal government. It would pay for an officer's salary and benefits for a period of 36 months. After that period of time the City would have to retain that Officer for a minimum of 12 months. Tucker stated that over the next 3 years they will have 3 guys retiring and were hoping to be able to slide these 2 officers into those positions. Until that time the 2 new officers would be a full time drug officer and one would be part time drug officer and part time detective. Goins made a motion to move forward with the application for the grant. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried. Goins stressed the importance of the Police Department keeping in contact with the Clerk-Treasurer for budgeting purposes.
- Cameron said that he sold 3 police cars and received \$19,500.00. He would like to purchase a 2nd car with this money. Buckley made a motion to allow Cameron to purchase a 2nd car. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

CITIZEN CONCERNS * * * *

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

None.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Resolution 2009-3 – Joe Malcom, President of the Utility Service Board presented Council with Resolution 2009-3 authorizing the Mayor to make application for a Water and Wastewater State Revolving Fund Loan Program. Goins made a motion to approve Resolution 2009-3. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Family Health Services – Beth Ann Perkins and Dr. Andy Taff from Family Health Services came before Council. Dr. Taff gave a brief history of Family Health Services. Perkins said they were in need of a flat screen TV for patient education and asked if the City would be willing to donate money. McGowan asked if they had approached the County. Perkins said no, but that was a good idea. McGowan made a motion to donate \$500.00 which would be one half and

suggested they ask the County for the other half. Buckley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Claims – Shelton made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Humphrey seconded the motion. Motion carried. Buckley abstained from voting on the claims regarding his salary.

There was no further business to come before Council, Goins made a motion to adjourn. Shelton seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

ALLEN W. SHELTON, MEMBER

DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

MICHAEL BUCKLEY, MEMBER

WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

CINDRA K. HUMPHREY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER